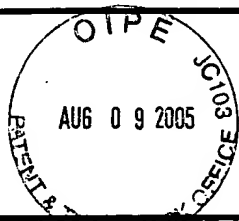


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional)
5010-017

In re Application of Ralph SOMACK et al.

Application Number: 09/994,495

For: Capsule And Tray Systems For Combined Sample Collection, Archiving, Purification, And PCR

Group Art Unit: 1744

Examiner: William H. BEISNER

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

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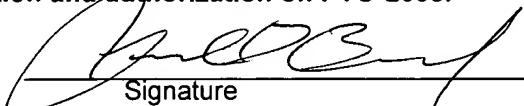
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